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December 2024

The Master's Message

Greetings Brethren,

December is always a busy month with many holidays, observances, and cultural celebrations. Among these are Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, New Year's Eve, and New Year's Day. We all likely have family traditions, meals, desserts, smells, sights, sounds, etc., that bring us a flood of memories from holidays past.

December is a month when many families gather and consider charity and peace. Charity can mean many different things to different people. Indeed, just making a web inquiry of "charity" brings a myriad of different viewpoints. Probably the one that hits home for me most is voluntary assistance to another in need that is unmotivated by self-interest. Many Christian definitions allude to charity as the highest form of love. As Masons, we pledge to practice charity and relief throughout the year.

December is also a month that can take a toll on people emotionally and financially. This is when charity, to me, can mean more than money; instead, it is a donation of time through kind gestures or physical acts or tasks to help those who may not have the capability they used to. Performing tasks such as snow clearing, a ride to an appointment, and stopping by to share a few moments of your time can mean so much to a person who may be unwilling to ask. Maybe taking advantage of a two-for-one deal, when you only need one, and donating the other to someone who also needs it? Can instantly light up someone's world at the grocery store. Many times, a large task or laundry list of items to be done can become overwhelming but having someone stop by and pitch in can provide the other person with a renewed spirit to keep at it.

Charity not only can change the receiver's day but also yours. This is where unmotivated by self-interest makes your act more impactful. What is a minor inconvenience to you can make a world of difference to another. There is no shortage of worthy charities that can use your assistance. I certainly try to contribute to those charities that I feel connected to, as many do.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 9:00–11:00am Coffee social 	3	4	5 6:30pm Night of Masonic Light	6	7
8	9 9:00–11:00am Coffee social 	10	11	12 6:00pm Dinner 7:00pm MM Degree	13	14 8:00–10:00am Community Breakfast 
15	16 9:00–11:00am Coffee social 	17	18	19 6:30pm Dinner 7:30pm Stated Meeting (FC Degree)	20	21
22	23 9:00–11:00am Coffee social 	24	25 Christmas Day 	26	27	28
29	30 9:00–11:00am Coffee social 	31				

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My challenge to all is, during this holiday season, consider performing a charitable act that can change a person's day. In this world of much negativity, every human being has a claim on your kind offices. Let us show the world how Masons and the extended Masonic family handle adversity with love and caring for each other. There are few, if any, other organizations where you can travel the world and instantly feel a connection to a person you meet for the first time. Masonry provides the door that we have chosen to walk through. Together we help each other determine the path forward.

My hope for each of us is that this December will be fruitful and allow for time with family and friends. May the New Year prove to be your best year yet!

Some dates in December:

- Coffee Social: each Monday, starting at 9 a.m.
- Night of Masonic Light: Thursday, December 5 only this month, starting at 6:30 p.m.
- Community Breakfast with rumored visit by Santa Claus on Saturday 12/14 from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.
- Master Mason Degree, Thursday 12/12; dinner at 6:00 p.m., and Lodge opening at 7:00 p.m.
- Stated Meeting: Thursday 12/19; 6:30 p.m. dinner, Lodge opening at 7:30 p.m. Officers have been asked to wear their "Ugly" Christmas sweater, so feel free to wear one as well.

Brethren, let me know how to make Masonry a constant in your life. The Lodge and its Officers hope to see and hear from you soon. Stop by a Night of Masonic Light or travel to another Lodge; make Masonry a positive outlet for you. Please check the Horace Chase calendar for upcoming events and reach out if we can assist you. Stay safe and well.

Fraternally,

Scott Nichols
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Don't miss out on anything that happens at the Lodge. If you need a ride to an event, call (603) 682-6482 or email horacechase72@gmail.com.

Living Past Masters

George A. Langwasser	1977
Terry S. Gregg	1979-1980
Dale C. Nudd	1981-1982
Sumner Goldman, PGSB	1989-1990
Albert W. Fifield	1991
Fred W. Courser III	1992-1994
Mark C. Roth, PDDGM, PGC, PGP	1994-1995
Herbert S. Carpenter IV, PDEO	1996-1997
Dana B. Reddish	1997-1998
Robert S. Hansen	1998
Gary E. Roy, PDDGM	1999-2000
Andrew F. Lane	2003-2004
Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., PGM	2005-2006
Donald H. Wheeler, Jr.	2006-2007
Robert M. MacLean, Jr., PGP	2007
Robert C. Lethbridge, GC	2008
Peter D. Crouch, DDGL	2008-2009
David A. Hardy, PDDGM	2010-2011
Louis M. Corson	2011-2012
Joseph A. Hardy	2012-2013
Brian Stiles	2013-2015
Jason M. Valley	2014
James M. Triacca, Honorary	2015
Karl R. Olson, GH	2016-2018
Michael A. Drotar, PGS	2016
Glenn A. Patterson	2017
Rodney W. Sewall, Jr.	2018-2019
Andrew J. Bennett, SGD	2019-2020
Wilmer J. Nemchick	2020-2021
John E. Glover, DDGEO	2022-2023

Brothers Raised in December

Leo F. Degreenia, Jr.	December 16, 1964
Ronald H. Ford	December 16, 1965
Terry S. Gregg	December 11, 1969
David C. Nudd	December 11, 1969
Dale C. Nudd	December 3, 1970
Lawrence P. Clement	December 12, 1973
John P. Heffernan	December 8, 1977
Alan D. Lugg	December 7, 1978
Clark N. Lindley	December 16, 1980
William R. Weir, Jr.	December 8, 1982
Fred W. Courser III	December 22, 1982
Russell E. Breck, Jr.	December 10, 1986
Daniel L. Creighton	December 10, 1986
Bruce R. Eldridge	December 10, 1986
Arthur W. Hicks, Jr.	December 10, 1986
Robert B. Berube, Jr.	December 1, 1988
Dana B. Reddish	December 12, 1990
Peter H. Shephard II	December 30, 1993
Michael D. Cutting	December 27, 1995
Charles W. Rice	December 27, 1995
Matthew M. Atkinson	December 2, 1997
Louis M. Corson	December 2, 1997
George C. Cummings	December 2, 1997
Robert A. Downing	December 10, 2008
David M. MacAllen	December 13, 2012